

SEVEN HOURS A DAY

Conference Leads to Settlement As to Silver Debate.

VOORHEES' MOTION PASSED

Allen Introduced a New Silver Bill, Which Opposed Closure Resolution—Silver Debate Continued.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—In the senate today Mr. Voorhees rose and slowly and very deliberately made this announcement to the senate:

"I may say that a conference—consultation—has taken place this afternoon between myself and senators on this side and senators on the other side of the chamber, friends and opponents of the pending measure which has resulted substantially, as I understand, in an agreement as to the hours which we will occupy at least for some time to come in debate. Without going into details, I am warranted in moving that on Monday and from after that date the hour of meeting of the senate shall be 11 o'clock instead of 12 o'clock, with the understanding that an adjournment will take place at 6 o'clock. I make the motion and ask for a vote upon it, or if unanimous consent can be given, is better still. I ask, Mr. President, the consent of the senate to that proposition."

The vice president stated the request for unanimous consent, and said that as no objection had been made, it was so ordered.

New Silver Bill Introduced.

Mr. Allen introduced a bill for the coinage of silver money, which was at his request laid on the table for the present. It provided that the unit of value shall be the dollar of 412½ grains of silver, or 25.810 grains of gold, and such dollars shall be legal tender for all debts, public and private. Any owner of silver bullion may deposit it in any mint and have it coined into standard silver dollars for his benefit, less 10 per cent seigniorage, which is to be coined and converted into the treasury. It also repeals the Sherman act.

The bill also provides that it was laid before the senate, and Mr. Wolcott took the floor in opposition to the proposition. If it came we applied to debate on the pending questions it would have to apply to everything. If senators desired closure they had only to unite and press it, and they could find no factions opposition to a vote. But, in his opinion, closure was not necessary; for there had been no factions delay on the pending measure. He expressed his solemn and serious conviction that if the question of unconstitutional government is submitted to the people of the United States, nine tenths of them would vote against it. Public opinion, he said, had been invoked in the matter, but it was a bastard public opinion.

Scored the Bankers.

It was the public opinion of the bankers, who, like enough, wanted to have their money down in gold. It was the public opinion which the bankers had forced on small dealers. Against such a public opinion he has rejected to stand.

Mr. Teller wound up his speech by declaring that he would resist by every method, other than that of force, any adoption in the senate of a rule which should limit or obstruct debate.

He took his seat a few minutes before 2 o'clock. If he had spoken till 2 o'clock the resolution would have gone to the calendar, but Mr. Teller rose and expressed an intention of speaking on the resolution tomorrow.

The repeal bill was then taken up and Mr. George continued the speech against it which he had begun on Wednesday.

Mr. Hansbrough next addressed the senate in opposition to the repeal bill. Mr. Hansbrough closed at 5:20 and then Mr. Stewart proceeded to deliver an essay on what he called "the elementary principles" of finance, largely composed of quotations from books, editorials and reports. After speaking about half an hour he concluded to stop and said he would finish his argument on some other occasion. The senate after a short executive session at 6:10 p. m. adjourned until tomorrow at noon.

PENSION STATEMENT.

Appropriation Ample Sufficient to Meet All Expenses.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—Pension Commissioner Lochren submitted his annual report to the secretary of the interior today. The number of pensioners on the rolls of the bureau is 950,012, with an net increase of \$9,944 during the past year. During the year 34,715 claims for increase of pension and \$1,600 for additional were allowed. In the same time 113,221 claims for pension and for increase were rejected. Claims pending consideration July 7 numbered 111,150. The amount of money paid for pensions during the year was \$106,740,457. The balance at the close of the year was \$2,437,371. Appropriations for the next fiscal year Commissioner Lochren states will be ample, and estimates for the fiscal year of 1903 amount to \$162,631,570.

Referring to the estimates of the fiscal year of 1903 Commissioner Lochren says: "If these were based wholly on the experience of former years and the capacity of the force of the bureau to handle the mass through the formal stages from examination to allowance, the result would be a much larger estimate. But 1903 is thirty years after the close of the civil war. The pension roll, in view of its size, compared with the number of new comers in that war still, in my opinion, by that time have reached the limit and begin to decrease. It is apparent that the filing of new claims and claims for increase has ceased to exceed the number of cases disposed of by the work of the bureau and that a rapid diminution in the number of new claims may be expected."

In regard to temporary suspension of order 104 he says:

In cases where it was believed that a pension could not be sustained and another medical examination was thought necessary the payment of the pension was ordered to be suspended pending investigation, according to the practice of the bureau from the beginning and at the proper time the usual sixty day notice was given to the pensioner within which he could ask for a medical examination or supply further evidence of his right to his pension. This practice of the bureau, always followed in the current practice, it is not the withdrawal or taking away of a pension, but the temporary withholding of the payment where it appears to be inadvisable.

CHINESE EXCLUSION ACT.

Information As to Its Enforcement Called For.

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WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—After the approval of the journal, the consideration of the report of the committee on accounts, assigning clerks to committees was resumed by the house. The house refused to reconsider yesterday's vote by which certain of the smaller committees were deprived of their clerks. The report of the committee was then taken up.

Mr. Loud, rising to a question of privilege, asked that his resolution requesting information from the attorney general as to the enforcement of the Chinese exclusion act be taken from the floor, the judiciary committee and considered.

Mr. Springer made the point that Mr. Loud's motion was not in order, but the speaker overruled the point and the resolution was then adopted, as was also a resolution calling for similar information from the secretary of the treasury as to instructions sent to collectors, etc.

Holman's Anti-Corruption Bill.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—Mr. Holman of Indiana has introduced in the house a comprehensive anti-corruption bill. It not only aims to punish bribery at elections, but also to prevent promises of appointment or office to be used as factors in election campaigns. The bill makes it unlawful for any person to "give, advance or permit any of his or her personal property to be used, directly or indirectly, to aid, assist or influence any person or persons to vote for or procure the appointment of any person to any office under the government."

Will Fight Van Alen.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—There is a prospect of the very hottest kind of a fight in the senate over the nomination of J. J. Van Alen for ambassador to Italy. The feeling is becoming very strong here that the appointment was a great mistake, and should it be withdrawn, many believe that the president would select Judge Lambert Tree of Chicago for the post. Judge Tree's nomination would be promptly confirmed.

National Capitol Notes.

The last payment of the \$75,000 indemnity fund given by the Chilean government as satisfaction for the assault on the Baltimore, has been ordered to be made by the secretary of the navy. This was to a seaman by the name of Free, and his share of the indemnity was \$1,200.

The postmaster general has issued an order directing the Columbia Investment company of Saginaw, Michigan, which forbids that company the use of the mails, and indicates that the charge made that the business is in the nature of a lottery is upheld by the department.

Drs. Hills of Allegan, Bacon of Dorr, and Smith of the Michigan legislature have appointed the Allegan pension board.

Valkyrie Has Arrived.

NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—Lord Dunraven's yacht Valkyrie, which has been so anxiously looked for by American yachtsmen, arrived at quarantine in tow of a tug this morning. At 8 o'clock she was coming up the bay opposite Bay Ridge. She was saluted by a volley from the flotilla of yachts which surrounded her and passengers on the Bay Ridge and Staten Island ferry boats greeted her with cheers. The Valkyrie will lie in Erie Basin and make preparations for America's cup race.

Captain Cranfield said that he experienced very rough weather on the way over but that the yacht was not injured.

Indiana Day at the Fair.

CHICAGO, Sept. 22.—For Indiana day, which will be celebrated at the next fair, a single fare rate good for ten days has been made, and the Hoosiers promise to beat Illinois day in point of attendance. Governor Matthews will be the presiding officer, and ex-President Harrison will deliver an address. Other speakers will be ex-Secretary R. W. Thompson and Gen. Lew Wallace.

Railroads to Cut Rates.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Sept. 22.—Before leaving for Cincinnati early this morning Grand Master Sargent of the Firemen's association said that he believed the Big Four successfully lower the wages of its employees other roads will pursue the same course and a sweeping reduction will be made throughout the country.

Excitement Subsidized.

ROANOKE, Va., Sept. 22.—The intense excitement of the citizens over the recent occurrence of the past three days has subsided and the city is now quiet. The last of the victims of the bloody affair of Wednesday night has been buried and the wounded, with the exception of ten, are doing well and will recover.

Receiver Appointed.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Sept. 22.—Charles O. Brewster was today appointed receiver of the Wheeling Bridge & Terminal Railroad company, it being claimed by the Washington Trust company of New York that the company had defaulted on the bonds of \$2,000,000 bonds since December 1, 1902.

Employees Will Strike.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Sept. 22.—The employees at this point of the Ohio Valley railroad company, it was learned today, will not accept the proposed reduction of ten per cent in wages announced to take effect October 1, and it is feared a strike on the entire system will result.

Motorman Assaulted.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., Sept. 22.—Fred Arnold, a motorman, who refused to strike, was assaulted by three men tonight while en route home. He was struck over the right eye with a brick and seriously injured.

Knighty Were Drunk.

NEW YORK, Sept. 22.—A report of the sinking of the Haytian warship Albatross was received in this city today. All on board, with one exception, were dead. All told, eighty were drowned.

GUNS ARE RUN OUT

Rebels Prepare to Bombard the City of Rio.

ADMIRAL'S SIGNAL AWAITED

Government Troops Still in Possession of the Fort City-Censorship of Messages.

LONDON, Sept. 22.—A private telegram sent from Rio Janeiro this morning, which reached London at noon, says the government troops still hold possession of the city. The vessels of the relief fleet in the harbor cleared their decks for action and the drums beat to quarters early this morning, but the bombardment had not been renewed up to the time the dispatch was sent. The telegram adds that an enormous number of messages are passing from Brazil to Europe. All outward dispatches are closely scanned in order to prevent the use of any code.

Everybody in Rio expects that today will decide the fate of the capital, and that by night either the rebels will have been shelled into submission or else it will have been saved by an early surrender. When the rebel ships cleared for action the most intense excitement prevailed in the city. The unfortunate inhabitants who were unable to escape from the city ran about the streets in consternation and dismay, gathering at street corners and denouncing Peixoto, or else sought safety from the impending bombardment.

The Brazilian minister asserts that all telegrams arriving from Rio up to yesterday bear President Peixoto's cachet, proving that he holds the town. The report that he had retired to Santa Anna has caused misapprehension. Santa Anna not being in the provinces, he is surrounded by barracks and is a strategic point.

Passengers by the Brazilian mailship which arrived at Southampton today declare that there is no possibility of a coalition between the army and navy, owing to mutual jealousy, street conflicts between them being very frequent.

EMPEROR AND BISMARCK.

William's Advances Due to Francis Joseph and Saxon King.

BERLIN, Sept. 22.—The direct reasons for the Kaiser's advance to Prince Bismarck appear to have been the strong persuasion of the Emperor of Austria and the King of Saxony, who themselves maintain frequent relations with the Kaiser's health. The recent visit of the Wurtemberg premier, Baron von Moltke, to Bismarck is also believed to have been connected with the matter. It is significant that Prince Albrecht of Prussia, who recently published a letter advocating reconciliation, is now on a visit to the Empress Frederick at Hamburg, whither the Kaiser himself is soon going. Prince Albrecht is credited with an intention to endeavor to arrange a meeting between the Kaiser and Bismarck with the Kaiser's assent.

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New Cases of Yellow Fever.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 22.—Surgeon General Wyman tonight received a telegram from Surgeon Murray at Brunswick, Georgia, stating that new cases of yellow fever have developed, one of which was on a different island and will remain. The western yellow fever and the eastern yellow fever are being fought.

Will Succeed His Father.

PAID, Sept. 22.—General Le Monnier de Bismarck has been appointed chief

of the grand general staff to succeed the late General de Moltke.

In the war department Bismarck was formerly chief of staff under Moltke.

Bismarck Improving Slowly.

KIMBERLEY, Sept. 22.—It is reported today that Prince Bismarck has been suffering from inflammation of the lungs. He lost fourteen pounds in weight in the last two weeks and his waist measure has decreased eleven centimeters. The prince is said to be slowly improving now.

Anarchist (Jab Haided).

BARCELONA, Sept. 22.—The police here raided an anarchist club today and seized two dozen tracts and several large packages of tracts and placards. All the members found in the building were arrested.

Scourge in Russia.

ST. PETERSBURG, Sept. 22.—The cholera from the provinces for the week ending on September 10 are 1,597 new cases and 756 deaths.

Eight Deaths From Cholera.

HENRY, Sept. 22.—The reports made to the authorities of Henry today show that there were eight deaths from cholera.

Two New Cholera Cases.

LONDON, Sept. 22.—A late dispatch from Hull says three fresh cases of cholera have just been reported.

Cholera Spreading in Spain.

MADRID, Sept. 22.—Sixteen fresh cases of cholera and six deaths were reported in Bolivia yesterday.

METHODS IN COUNCIL.

Meeting at Bradley Well Attended. Officers Elected.

BRADLEY, Mich., Sept. 22.—The M. P. conference is making rapid progress in their work. All of their services are well attended. The ministers and delegates are nearly all present, with a good representation from over the district. The sermon preached last evening by Dr. McEllory of Adrian was listened to with interest that filled the seating capacity of the church.

The Rev. L. Dods was with much enthusiasm re-elected the secretary of the conference and his salary raised \$100. The Preacher's Aid and Preacher's Insurance societies each held sessions this afternoon and the officers of the past year were re-elected except the secretary of the Preacher's Insurance.

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World's Fair Flyer Crashed into a Freight Train.

ELEVEN PERSONS WERE KILLED

A Switch Left Open Through Carelessness of a brakeman Was the Cause of Disaster.

KINGSBURY, Ind., Sept. 22.—The second section of the Chicago night express over the Wabash road crashed into an open switch colliding with a freight train, early this morning, causing a complete wreck.

Freight train No. 44 east bound was due at this point at 4:45 a. m. It was under orders to take the siding and await the arrival of the west bound passenger express No. 55, which according to the schedule should have passed the Kingsbury depot at 4:40. The express, however, was an hour and twenty minutes late, and owing to the heavy travel going to the world's fair, it was divided into two sections, the second section running twelve minutes behind the first. Both sections were made up at Buffalo, the passengers including people from city and well as from the various lines centering in it from Canada and the east.

The switch thrown open. With the knowledge that under the schedule he had twenty minutes to spare, Engineer Whitman of the freight train proceeded up the siding to the main line to take the switch being thrown open by Herbert Thompson, the head brakeman of the freight.

After the engine had taken water, the freight was backed to the siding and Thompson closed the switch. Regarding this latter fact there is no room for question, for at 5:10 the first section of the express, thirty minutes late, swept past on the main track, giving the usual signal—long and two short blasts—to intimate to the freight that a second section was following close behind.

What were the movements of brakeman Thompson in the next few moments remains to be developed. 'Certain it is that when twelve minutes later the second section of the west bound express came thundering along at a speed of forty miles an hour, the switch was open.

Crashed into the Freight. Like a flash of lightning therefore the train took the siding, and almost before the engineer and fireman realized that they had missed the main track they had crashed into the waiting freight. A second later and the air was filled with shrieks, groans, moans and screams of agony, carrying away the lives of eleven persons, three ordinary coaches and two sleepers, and the force of the collision was such that only the rear sleeper escaped injury.

The locomotive of the freight was driven half way into the meat car in its rear, the baggage car of the passenger train was thrown to one side, while the passenger coaches partially telescoped each other, and the third, a Grand Trunk car, carrying a sleeping car, "Kaukash," carrying away the lives of eleven persons, three ordinary coaches and two sleepers, and the force of the collision was such that only the rear sleeper escaped injury.

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Dead and Injured.

The revised list of dead and injured is as follows: J. H. McKenna, butcher, Hyde Park, Massachusetts; Harry French, 14 years old, of the London charity school, London, England; Charles Birken, San Francisco; Alice Bair, 12 years old, of the London charity school, London, England; Miss Nellie B. Tucker, Boston, Massachusetts; Warren G. Ryder, Phoenix, Arizona; H. C. Zelle, Germany; L. D. Roundy, La Moille, Iowa; John Greeng, engineer passenger train, Ashley, Iowa; J. G. Conifer, conductor passenger train, Detroit, Michigan; W. N. Lyon, baggage master passenger train, Detroit, Michigan.

Injured: Frank P. Dow, Fairhaven, Washington, scalp wound; Miss May Kelly, Brooklyn, Massachusetts, head cut and badly bruised; Otto Huck, Hamburg, Germany, bruised and ankles sprained; G. S. Hudson, Dover, New Hampshire, chin gashed and back injured; Mrs. A. S. Seavey, Somersworth, New Hampshire, back injured, general contusions and nervous prostration; Mrs. C. W. Burbank, New Orleans, right arm broken, contusions on head; Mrs. D. Dugan, Anderson, Pennsylvania, eight bruises; W. S. Askins, residence unknown, left leg fractured, internal injury, unconscious; Edward Ross, London, England, aged 14, both legs broken; Albert Milton, youth, London, England, right arm injured; Hattie Hagblin, child, Phoenix, Arizona, internal injury; Mrs. H. C. Hill, Somersworth, New Hampshire, left thigh broken; Annie Hill, same address, slightly bruised; Henry Volking, fireman of freight train, severe and contusions; Engineer Whitman of freight train, right arm broken, hurt in back; John Barber, fireman passenger train, scalp and contusions.

Brakeman is Missing.

Two scores of men are scouring the surrounding country tonight for Herbert Thompson, the brakeman who was

lost Thompson, the brakeman, to whose negligence the responsibility for the catastrophe is placed.

When Engineer Whitman had succeeded in extricating himself from the debris of the meat car he found Thompson standing on the track as pale as a ghost and trembling in every fiber. "What have you done?" demanded the engineer.

"I must have left that switch open," was Thompson's reply, and without another word he took to his heels and disappeared.

All of the injured were taken to Peru on special trains at once and cared for at the hospital maintained by the Wabash road.

Superintendent G. A. Gould of the Wabash Eastern division said tonight: "The accident is a deplorable one, but at the same time it cannot be attributed to any lack of system or of management. There is nothing to condemn; no blame to be shelved on other shoulders. It is simply a case of one man's error and its consequences."